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President's Report to Senate October 2022

University of Windsor
Senate
October 7, 2022

AG Value for Money Audit



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- The Auditor General of Ontario (AGO) is conducting an audit of “Financial Management & Governance in Ontario Universities”
- Four universities have been selected, and will be covered together in a single report
- Onsite fieldwork took place in June (*6 AGO staff on-campus*) and follow-up interviews took place throughout the summer
- Report will be issued later this Fall
- A findings follow-up report – will be issued in late Fall/24

Cyber Incident Update



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- In late June we become aware of a cyber incident and immediately took steps to secure our systems and mitigate the impact to our data and operations.
- A team of leading external cybersecurity experts were engaged.
- Restoration of our systems is complete.
- We have developed a forward thinking cyber risk mitigation strategy which includes:
 - Increased ITS supports
 - Strategic oversight and on-going accountability measures
 - Penetration testing
 - Improved system compliance
 - Training initiatives
 - Movement/migration to 'cloud-based' systems

WECHU Strategic Partnership



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- The University and the WECHU announced a strategic partnership in August focused on training, research, student experience and broader community service.
- Involves a WECHU co-location on-campus into Residence Hall West:
 - Jan/24 with a possible 25 yr lease
 - Building will be retrofitted for its services which would include expanded office and clinic space
 - Possible movement of aligned University of Windsor programs into this space as well
- The proposed building retrofit will be reviewed by the Board in the coming months.
- The strategic partnership will also bring together people across both organizations focused on learning, community service and public health to explore areas of training, research, experiential learning, student health services, and increased programming.

Orange Shirt Day



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- 12+ events on campus including a community walk, drum social teach-in, and art installation in Leddy Library
- Turtle Island Walk lit with orange lights
- Branded electronic signature, virtual backgrounds, and presentation slide were developed
- T-shirts, lawn signs, and cookbook sales to support Indigenous students on campus
- Healing, support, and educational resources

Special thanks to the Orange Shirt Day Committee, Turtle Island AEC, Office of Student Experience, and Indigenous members of faculty and staff who helped to organize and support these events and initiatives.



Indigenous Space



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- AEC is supporting plans to establish additional Indigenous space on-campus.
- Space has been identified at 223 Sunset Avenue – between University and Riverside
 - A property the University purchased in 2021
- Next steps will include retaining an Indigenous architect and developing a renovation plan for the space.





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Senior Leadership Searches Update

- **Provost and Vice President, Academic**

- Short-list candidates are being interviewed later this month
- Next phase will involve having selected candidates give presentations on Campus

- **Vice President, Research & Innovation**

- Short-list candidates are being interviewed later this month
- Next phase will involve having selected candidates give presentations on Campus

- **Vice President, Equity, Diversity & Inclusion**

- Search firm (consultant) has been selected
- Initial Search Committee is being planned
- Community survey and consultation will be established

Fall Convocation



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- 5 sessions, October 14 (2 sessions) and 15 (3 sessions)
- Joined by alumni who graduated during virtual convocations in 2020 and 2021
- First convocation in new home, the Toldo Lancer Centre



Honorary Doctorate Recipient



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- Dr. Caroline Hamm
- Oncologist, Windsor Regional Hospital
- Chair of Oncology, Windsor Campus, Schulich School of Medicine and Dentistry
- Chair, Academic and Research Committee Windsor Regional Hospital
- Executive Committee WE-SPARK Health Institute

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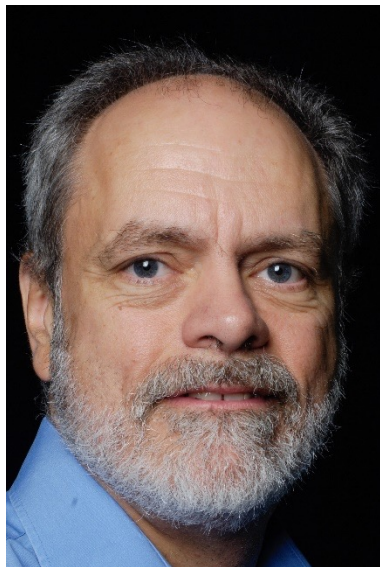
- Dr. Philip Alexander, '63, 64
- Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Engineering
- Associate Dean (Undergraduate) 1995-2006
- Board of Directors, Amherstburg Freedom Museum

Distinguished University Professors



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Dr. Daniel Heath,
Integrative Biology/GLIER



Dr. Lisa Porter,
Biomedical Sciences/
WE-SPARK



Dr. Siyaram Pandey,
Chemistry & Biochemistry



Dr. Christopher Tindale,
Philosophy/CRRAR

Strategic Planning Update

Summer/Fall Consultations:

- Topic specific sessions on Teaching and Learning; Research and Creative Activities; Community Engagement; Campus Experience; EDI; and Anti-Racism
- Indigenous Elders retreat
- On-going relationship building with Indigenous peoples and organizations
- Off-Campus Community and Partner Engagement with > 40 organizations
- Public listening sessions and community events
- Alumni survey
- Online consultation platform
- Total engagement points to date: **5,399** and **35,000** data points have been captured



Currently:

- Data integration and review
- Framework development discussions
- Ongoing consultation with Indigenous peoples

Upcoming:

- Campus Framework review
- Document development
- Please plan to join us for a Senate Information Session on Nov 4

